

Mt. Shasta Beautification Committee Regular Meeting Agenda

Lalo's Restaurant
520 N. Mt. Shasta Blvd. Mt. Shasta, CA
Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 4:00 PM

“Our mission is to maintain the character of our “small town” community while striking an appropriate balance between economic development and preservation of our quality of life. We help create a dynamic and vital City by providing quality, cost-effective municipal services and by forming partnerships with residents and organizations in the constant pursuit of excellence.”

Item
1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Special Presentations & Announcements
4. Public Comment Welcome to our meeting. The committee invites the public to address the committee on matters on the Consent Agenda and matters not listed on the agenda that are within the committee's subject matter jurisdiction. If the Public wishes to comment on matters that are on the agenda, the committee will request comment when the matter is heard. The committee reserves the right to limit public comment on matters that are outside its subject matter jurisdiction. The committee may regulate the total amount of time on particular issues and for speakers (typically 3 minutes). The committee may place additional time limits on comments, to ensure members of the public have an opportunity to speak and the committee is able to complete its business. A group may be asked to choose a spokesperson to address the committee on a subject matter, or the committee may limit the number of persons addressing the committee whenever a group of persons wishes to address the committee on the same subject matter. Speakers may not cede their time to another. If there is an item of great community significance/interest and is within the committee's subject matter jurisdiction, the committee may request the item be agendaized for further consideration at a subsequent committee meeting.
5. Meeting Recess
6. Staff & Member Comments
7. Consent Agenda: a. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Draft Minutes for February 10, 2016
8. Discussion and possible Action: Submission of Beautification Budget for 2016-2017
9. Discussion and Possible Action: The potential for public art. Art Horvath to present

10. Discussion and Possible Action: First Impressions program and member participation
11. Discussion and Possible Action: Street Tree Pruning
12. Committee Reports on Attendance at Appointed/Outside Meetings
13. Future Agenda Items (Appearing on the agenda within 60-90 days): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion and Possible Action: Project Grant potential• Solar lighting at Lake Street Stone.• Installation of new trees at N. Mt. Shasta Blvd. (Near Springhill)• Rehabilitation of Library grounds and flower beds.• Hanging flower baskets in central downtown.
14. Adjourn <p>Availability of Public Records: All public records related to an open session item on this agenda, which are not exempt from disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act, that are distributed to a majority of the legislative body will be available for public inspection at City Hall located at 305 North Mt. Shasta Blvd., Mt. Shasta, CA at the same time the public records are distributed or made available to the members of the legislative body. Agenda related writings or documents provided to a majority of the legislative body after distribution of the Agenda packet will be available for public review within a separate binder at City Hall at the same time as they are made available to the members of the legislative body.</p> <p>The City of Mt. Shasta does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or provision of services. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring accommodations for a disability at a public meeting should notify the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (530) 926-7510 in order to allow the City sufficient time to make reasonable arrangements to accommodate participation in this meeting.</p>

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Pre- Meeting - 3:05 at Parker Plaza - Field trip for BC members - group met to get oriented to the area, walk the back parking area, see lines of site, and visualize possible enhancements.

Attendees - Penny, Paul, Leslie, Lorie, Kathy - Jacquie absent

The committee met at Parker Plaza at 3:05 to walk the site. Kathy indicated several City officials are working toward some enhancement plans. Officials suggest a "wow spot" for focus at the Plaza. Additional ideas are to move the stone table to another site and add a children's play structure. Adding children's equipment could trigger some code and enforcement regulations. Some BC members liked this idea, others believed play equipment is not appropriate in this small area and is available at Shastice and City park. It was announced the Downtown Enhancement Committee (DTEC) is re-forming, Sandra Haugen is leading the DTEC, and may eventually coordinate with BC and have a future joint meeting. BC will await their input and continue planning that could work cooperatively with the City. DTEC used to focus on parking but hopes for an expanded its mission to pull new business into the downtown. BC will have suggestions ready to present the City when appropriate - ie. add dense low planting like heather, flower bulbs, scotch broom, or azalea especially around the black fencing. BC would like the City to include a public bathroom in the lower parking area. Kathy reminded BC to spread the word that the Plaza is a great place for casual outdoor meetings.

1. Call to Order - 4:00 - BC members moved to Lalo's to hold regular meeting.

Public Comments:

A. Group discussed public art again and the possible role BC might play in originating interest and participation. Not all BC members agreed BC should be involved in a public art program.

B. Lorie emailed Jim Mullins and heard back that there are no updates on the Visitor Center.

C. Lorie will talk to Rod about March tree trimming. Terez noted this is the preferred time to promote healthy growth. The designated tree, the flower pear, need pruning. Terez will reserve participation until Rod responds, but may be on-call to guide the pruning.

D. Larisa Proulx visited from the City staff. After her introduction, she presented accommodations to BC members for their service. Kathy noted the success of the holiday pot luck at the Fire Station - Kathy and Leslie attended.

E. Erica Rein from the public joined the meeting. She was alerted to BC's mission on the "meet up" webpage. BC encouraged her interest and encouraged her application to the vacancy position. Paul will let Erica know work dates for BC projects.

2. Minutes - Paul moved to approve the November minutes. Penny 2nd, - approved by BC.

3. Review various discussion items on today's Agenda. - BC group selected the following to discuss.

Item #9 - Lorie noted she turns in the BC budget annually but does not hear clear confirmation of its acceptance. She has always asked Muriel for confirmation but would like a formal response. Per Kathy the 2016 BC budget of \$17,000 was funded. Lorie has asked Muriel how flexible the BC budget usage can be versus the proposed projects list submitted. Kathy said Muriel wants next year's budget request in March...very early. Typically, Lorie completes the proposed BC budget in May. Lorie will check with Muriel on the March date. Kathy will communicate any nuances of new policy. BC is grateful to have operating funds for their projects and acknowledges grant writing may be required in the future. Lorie will clarify that BC budget funds roll forward if unused through the end of June.

Item # 15 - Lorie plans to talk to Rod about the Lake Street stone being lighted, BC would like to repeat the North entrance light in a solar version. Group noted challenges of winter time solar power. Leslie mentioned possible safety value of lighting the median for traffic. Kathy mentioned Paul E and the Chamber have a hope to focus on Lake street improvements as it's a key impression to residents and visitors.

Item #11 - The First Impression project. Terez, Paul, Kathy and Leslie are interested in this project. Kathy will email a meeting date to share process. Mt. Shasta is assigned to Weed. The group will share results of each team and bring in a revitalization expert. To date participation is confirmed with Happy Camp, Yreka, Dunsmuir, Etna, Weed, Fort Jones and Mt Shasta. Kathy is basing the First Impressions project off a prior study by Klamath Falls. Kathy is merging the task forms for better comparison. Results are expected by March 15th. Keep on BC's agenda for discussing.

Item # 13 - Fall color for strip along Spring Hill nursery (past tree wells) between RR and N. Mt. Shasta Blvd. - BC has no background of why trees were removed, division of property boundary with RR land etc. Lorie will ask Rod about this area, any history, or reason for tree removal. Also clarify the City's priority for tree planting. Can BC assist with any of this? What species are best for the climate? BC members suggested the species Mountain Ash. Flowering pear remains as BC street tree for the downtown. Paul reminded BC of extensive discussions at past City meetings he reported on. Tree trimming to promote healthy growth was repeated. Lorie will discuss with Rod and review policies about the work project bidding process.

Item #18 - Project Grant writing. Lorie mentioned hearing about a Grant with Fiskars. Project is called the Orange Thumb Grant - farm-to-table concept - grant application requires - a blue print, time line, line item costs, maintenance costs etc. Down the line this could be a funding source.

Item # 14- Public Art - Penney voiced that BC should not be involved. Too controversial and best left to a specialized group. Lorie mentioned a possible sub committees of BC could be set up. DTEC is expected to be too busy with re-starting for involvement. Kathy believes public art is a BC project. Group acknowledged there is no Siskiyou Art Council currently but Art Horvath, a local artist, mentioned to Kathy his fellow artisans are interested in public art. This could entail murals, statues, bronzes, with a possible BC liaison to the artists. Siskiyou Art Counsel in Dunsmuir might be a source of coordinating. Art Horvath will be invited to BC's March meeting to discuss.

Wrap-up points - Lorie mentioned Friends of the Library involvement. Lorie wants gardening around the library removed and replanted. Kathy said FL is open to partnering. She also noted that accumulated tax funds may allow the Library to move to a new site. If so, no planting is necessary. On the future agenda: Grant writing, public art, BC work dates, BC's possible contributing planting project at Parker Plaza.

Motion to Adjourn by Lorie. Second by Paul. Next BC meeting is Wednesday March 9, 2016.